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THE RECORD'S BIRTHDAY.

WITH this issue The Record commences upon the twenty-third year of our newspaper existence. The Record is just a little proud of the fact that besides other good things, it is the oldest bonafide newspaper published in the southern portion of Utah. Other papers, perhaps, may claim as great an age by reason of having "succeeded" to some other paper once published but then defunct; but in the case of The Record its claim to maturity and solidity are based upon actual facts. Since The Record was first founded in December, 1893, it has never changed its name nor missed an issue.

The fact that we have not changed our name is not due to the fact that we have never married, but rather to the reason that men do not change their names when they wed. Our readers will recollect that we were wedded last April to Miss "Observer," and still support her and her offspring.

Many other papers have sprung up like mushrooms in various southern Utah towns, some have flourished for a time and then, "because they had no depth of soil, have withered away and died; some were planted among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them; others, like The Record, fell on good soil and sprang up forthwith and have brought forth" results. Some of these present papers will doubtless survive the storms and "frosts" that beset the pathway of most country newspapers, and may live to be an hundred years old; others, like some of the past, will fade and die, and we cannot tell which class a paper may belong to. But there is a certain point in the progress of a newspaper, in its growth and development, which when satisfactorily passed makes it a recognized fixture. It is the fitness of the publication and the requirements of the field or locality which establish this permanency, and it would appear that The Record has reached that point. It matters not whether the writer of this is at the helm to guide the destinies of the paper, or whether it is someone else entirely, the necessity produces the man, and the paper will go on and on, developing very nearly in the proportion of the enterprise and public-spiritedness of the community and contiguous population.

The past proves that there is a place in Southern Utah for The Record, and to fill this place with credit to ourselves and advantage to the people of this section of the state is, our all absorbing ambition. And while of necessity our first duty is to Iron county, after which we take our name, and in which we reside, at the same time we feel that we have a larger sphere than the boundaries of this particular county or locality, and that as an exponent of the rights and liberties of our extensive army of readers, we must rise above sectionalism, and work for the interests of the entire people.

Never before in the history of The Record did the future look so bright and alluring. Never before upon our birthday did we have a subscription even half as large as we have this year. It has been increasing by leaps and bounds, until now no paper published south of Provo, at least, can lay claim to as large a circulation. And circulation is the foundation of all newspaper prosperity and prestige.

Our business in other lines, also, by careful attention to details, a reputation for good work and fair dealing, has increased remarkably. Orders for printing come to us from the adjoining counties, frequently, and the product of this department has a reputation that is well nigh statewide. To all these customers we wish to express our appreciation, and to assure them that we are always ready and anxious to please you. To our local business men, upon whom naturally devolves the greater burden of maintaining a live newspaper, we are especially grateful for the generous patronage given.

To all our readers and patrons we extend at this time our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year.

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ELSEWHERE in this issue of The Record will be found a communication from one of our readers in the vicinity of Heist, this county, who is urging the farmers of the county to organize

and unite in petitioning the federal government which encouraged them to locate upon the land for some relief from the ravages of the rabbits which have devoured a large proportion of the crops in the outlying fields of this county. The plan appears rational and feasible enough to us. The government is doing a lot for the farmers in the Southern States, assisting them, loaning its money to them and assisting them in various other ways, and why should it not assist the settlers in this part of the country and enable them to remain upon their homesteads and "cause the desert to blossom as the rose." Again, why wouldn't "kill a jack rabbit" make just as good a slogan as "buy a bale of cotton?" The only way to get any thing is to go after it.

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OUTLOOK FOR SOUTHERN UTAH.

A LOT of people have their eyes on Southern Utah. They are watching her progress and development, realizing that sooner or later there is a great future in store for this section. Men of discernment cannot fail to realize that with our immense deposits of iron and coal, our treasures in gold, silver, copper, lead and other precious metals; with our great diversity in climate in localities separated by only an hour or two of travel, our splendid ranges for sheep and cattle, our favorable conditions for all kinds of agricultural pursuits, it is only a matter of time until this is certain to be one of the richest sections of the entire state.

Many of these people have interests in this section, and while they do not care to spend their time in the country off the railroad, and away from many of the pleasures and comforts of the larger cities, they are nevertheless keeping a sharp outlook in this direction, and are only awaiting the psychological moment to transfer their residence and seat of operations here. To these persons it must be apparent that a great change is coming over this section in recent years, and that the signs of the times point unmistakably to an era of unprecedented activity here in the very near future. One of the great obstacles that has stood in the way of the development of eastern Iron county and vicinity, has been the absence of railroad facilities. But with the railroad practically a certainty for next season, this obstacle will shortly be removed from our path.

With the increasing interest in agricultural and livestock pursuits of all kinds, with the recent discoveries of precious metals throughout the district, with the prospects for marketing our coal on the coast in commercial quantities, it must be a skeptical and pessimistic mind, indeed, that would fail to accept the evidences of approaching prosperity and business importance of this section.

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THE PROJECTED PUBLIC BUILDING.

IT is a matter of congratulation and satisfaction to The Record as well as all residents of Cedar City, that our national lawmakers have apparently seen at length the necessity for a Federal building in Cedar City, and that a bill looking to this end has been introduced in the Senate by the Honorable Reed Smoot. Cedar City is a central point for all the southern portion of the state, and is the reasonable and rational location for such government officials as forest supervisors and rangers, Indian agents, agricultural and geological experts, and a government building is certainly a necessity and a good investment. Besides this, the Cedar City post office is a division point for the mails of a large section of country, and with the completion of the southern route to Kanab, the work and importance of the local post office is certain to be greatly increased. The present quarters of the post office are entirely inadequate to the needs, and if we are permitted to base our requirements on a slight peep into the future, a \$50,000 building will not over answer our requirements.

If the bill already introduced into the Senate were supplemented by some good strong petitions from the Commercial club and citizens, and a few personal letters from the leading business men, it might have a very beneficial effect, as there are few law-making bodies, great or small, who care to push favors onto a people or community, unsolicited and unsought.

The Senate bill is reproduced elsewhere in this issue of The Record.

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OUR HOLIDAY NUMBER.

WE will have to ask our readers to accept of our apologies for not getting out a real boosting edition this Christmas, as was our intention before things crowded upon us so thick and fast that it proved to be out of the question. First the voting contest, accompanied by a heavy demand upon our job-printing department, then the tax list, and at the last turn in the course an issue of "The Student" to be gotten off the press before we could even begin upon this issue. It is not put out as a real Christmas number, in the full sense that the term implies, but we trust that it will at least prove of average interest to our readers, and that they will enjoy some of the special Christmas articles that we have provided.

THE COMING NEW
FORD TRACTOR.Many Questions Answered Regarding
its Manufacture and Other De-
tails Concerning it.

There exists a world-wide interest in the tractor to be manufactured by Henry Ford, as inquiries pour in to us from every quarter, asking innumerable questions in regard to the tractor, its possibilities, when it will be ready for the market, how it will be marketed, and asking for agency rights to sell it.

To live as wide circulation as possible Ford's tractor we are pleased to say that it is an accomplished success. It has been thoroughly tested through all the fields of experimentation in which a farm tractor can possibly be called upon for service, and has satisfactorily met every expectation.

We take from the local newspaper of Dearborn, Michigan, "The Independent," the following excerpts covering the building of the tractor plant, and also for the practical benefit of those who will buy the tractors, pre-empting a remarkable evolution in industrial and commercial conditions.

"The Ford farm tractor will be manufactured in Dearborn, Michigan. Large factory buildings are being erected as rapidly as possible. The factory will be completely equipped for the construction of the new tractor from the raw material to the finished product, including foundry, engine room, and the latest in iron-working machinery. The greatest activity prevails, the first of the two new buildings has been completed, and machinery is being installed.

"In the new tractor plant there will be no stockholders, no directors, no absentee owners, no parasites, declared Henry Ford the other day, in a discussion of modern industrialism. There will be no incorporation. Every man employed during the period of his employment will share in the profits of the industry, but there will be no dividends to stock, even at face value.

"When the Ford Motor Company startled the world by the announcement that it would share profits with its employees, and make \$5.00 the minimum wage for a day's work of eight hours, Mr. Ford had studied the plan until he became satisfied it was practicable, and from the time of its inauguration a marvelous record of production and efficiency has resulted.

"When the Ford Motor Company later pledged itself to share profits with the retail purchasers if 500,000 cars were sold within the fiscal year, to the amount of from \$40 to \$60 on each car and succeeded in selling 308,213 cars and distributed among these purchasers \$15,410,650, it gave the world another topic for discussion, although the object as a business proposition was more readily understood. The offer made every Ford owner a more earnest Ford "booster."

"And now Henry Ford proposes another revolution, by which will be eliminated every possible absorbent of profit—save honest toil. He does not forget the other end of the line, either, for he will market the product at the lowest safe margin of profit.

"After the inauguration of this new step in the industrial development of the American people, a veritable revolution takes place in that the employees and users of the tractor are to be Henry Ford's partners in the tractor business."

FOOD COMBINATIONS.

How to put foods together to make meals that digest easily is the subject of the leading article in the December number of The Hygienist Magazine, written by Dr. R. R. Daniels. Procure a copy of the magazine at your news dealers' or send ten cents to The Hygienist Publishing Co., Majestic Bldg., Denver, Colorado.

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Presbyterian Mission Services. Next Sunday's services will be held as follows: Preaching service at Cedar City at 7:30 p. m. Subject of the sermon will be "The True Spirit of Christmas." Sunday School and preaching service at Parowan beginning at 10:30 a. m. The subject of the sermon will be "The True Spirit of Christmas."



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